# Forest Preserves of Cook County Conservation & Policy Council July 17 & 18, 2018

July 17, 3:00 pm • Fisheries Demo and Kayaking at <u>Busse Lake Boating Center • Elk Grove Village</u> (Enter off of Higgins Road between Frontage Road/I290 and Arlington Heights Road)

July 17, 6:30 pm • Cookout and Camping at Camp Reinberg • 1801 N Quentin Rd, Palatine, IL 60074

July 18: 6:30 am Morning Walk; 8:15 am to 3:30 pm – Workshop at Camp Reinberg

#### Agenda for Day 1: July 17

#### 3:00 pm Fisheries and Lake Management at the Forest Preserves

Council members will receive an introduction to Fisheries and Lake Management division, including fish collection, live fish identification demonstration, and information on the importance of fish biodiversity in the Forest Preserves' water bodies.

## 4:00 pm Paddling on Busse Lake

Council members have the opportunity to explore Busse Lake via kayak or canoe

Note: Wear shoes and clothing you don't mind getting wet; consider bringing an extra pair of clothing just in case. Make sure to wear sunscreen.

## 6:30 pm Cookout and Camping at Camp Reinberg

After kayaking, we will have a cookout at Camp Reinberg and a conversation about the Council's role. All are invited to spend the night in a cabin, or pitch a tent at one of the tent campsites. Also consider bringing your bike so you can enjoy the beautiful trails surrounding the camp. Daniel Suarez will join us to share his perspective on the vital role of volunteers in restoring nature.

#### Agenda for Day 2: July 18

6:30 am Early Morning Walk

7:45 am *Breakfast* 

Photograph of Council

8:30 am 1) Welcome & Overview (Wendy Paulson, Chair)

- 2) Public Comment
- 3) Approval of minutes from April 5 meeting. (See Attachment 1.)
- 9:00 am 4) Celebrating Successes Camping in the Preserves & Engaging Communities (Cynthia Moreno) (See Attachment 2.)
- 9:20 am 5) Building a Community of Support (Laurel Ross, Bob Megquier, Benjamin Cox, Jim Boudreau) (See Attachment 3.)

10:20 am *Break* 

10:30 am 6) Budget & Pension Updates (Mark Templeton & Steve Hughes) (See Attachment 4.)

11:15 am 7) High Impact Initiatives Overview (See Attachment 5.)

- a) Best Practices (Wendy Paulson, Sylvia Jenkins, Eileen Figel)
- b) Lease/Sell Land (Emily Harris, Chris Adas)
- c) Licenses & Inter-governmental agreements (Peter Ellis, Dave Kircher, John Sterenberg)

12:00 pm 8) Breakout Session 1

Group A: Dining Area

Best Practices

(Wendy Paulson & Sylvia Jenkins)

Group B: Main Room

Lease/Sell Land

(Emily Harris & Chris Adas)

12:45 pm *Lunch* 

Celebrating Successes - Restoring Nature (Benjamin Cox and Jane Balaban)

1:30 pm 9) Breakout Session 2

Group A: Dining Area

Agreements (Peter Ellis, Dave Kircher, John Sterenberg) Group B: Main Room

Lease/Sell Land

(Emily Harris & Chris Adas)

2:15 pm 10) Updates (See Attachment 6.)

Cost Recovery for Private Events & Activities

- Connecting People to Nature
- Scaling up Volunteers
- Billboards
- Cell Towers
- Golf Course Phase 2 Analysis
- Sustainability Master Plan
- 2:40 pm Break
- 2:50 pm Celebrating Successes Promoting the Preserves (Rich Gamble and Jim Boudreau)
- 3:05 pm 11) Wrap-up, Next Steps, Upcoming Meeting
- 3:30 pm 12) Adjourn

#### **Attachments**

- 1 Minutes of April 5 Meeting
- **2** Strategies to Engage Communities
- **3** Building a Community of Support
  - A. Summary of Presentations Conducted & Scheduled
  - B. Tough Questions
- 4 Budget & Pension Updates
- 5 High Impact Initiatives
- **6** Other Updates